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IN THE

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SIR,

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT FORT WILLIAM IN BENGAL.

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" D. N. Mitter,
Sir C. P. Hobhouse, Bart.
Judges.

I HAVE the honor by direction of the Chief Justice and the Judges of the Court to submit the following report upon the Administration of Criminal Justice in the Lower Provinces of Bengal, together with the Tabular Statements appended, showing the work performed by the Criminal Courts subordinate to the High Court, as well as that by the High Court itself on its Appellate and Original sides, during the past year.

The returns from all the districts in the Non-Regulation Provinces for 1868, have been submitted in forms similar to those which are adopted in the Regulation Districts, and the Court has thus been able, for the first time, to show in a complete form, and in one set of statements, the Criminal Statistics of both the Regulation and Non-Regulation Provinces.

Statement No. 1 shows that in all the Magistrates' Courts embraced by the annual returns, there were brought to trial during the year, 76,420 cases, comprehending 1,38,779 persons charged with criminal offences. There were pending from the previous year 1,771 cases, comprehending 3,816 accused persons, and there were received by transfer from other Districts in the year 1868, 72 cases, comprising 153 persons, these last being included in the total number of cases and persons shewn above as "brought to trial" which words, I am to point out, are explained in the Rules of the late Sudder Court, to include all those who were apprehended or attended on summons, not merely

those who were actually put upon their trial during any particular year. There was, therefore, a total number of 78,263 cases, involving 1,42,748 persons under trial before the Criminal Courts of the various Magistrates of Lower Bengal. Of the entire number called upon to answer criminal charges, 74,674 or 52·31 per cent. were convicted, 3,906 or 2·74 per cent. were committed for trial before the Courts of Session, and 60,421 or 42·33 per cent. were released, or otherwise disposed of, as shewn in the margin.

Convicted, ...	74,674	52·31
Committed,	3,906	2·74
Released, ..	59,834	41·92
Otherwise disposed of,	587	·41
Pending, ...	3,747	2 62
	1,42,748	100

It is not possible to make any very accurate comparison between these results as a whole, and those of 1867, because the former include the District of Gowalpara (now forming part of the Assam Division,) and those of Darjeeling and Julpigoree (now constituting the Division of Cooch-Behar,) which the latter did not, for reasons which have been given in the 1st paragraph of the Court's Criminal Administration Report for that year. As regards the criminal work of Gowalpara in 1867, however sufficient information has since been supplied, and therefore there only remain the Districts of Darjeeling and the Western Dooars, from which no reports were received in that year, and which must not be taken into consideration in comparing generally the criminal work done in the Regulation and Non-Regulation Provinces in 1868, with that of the preceding year.

The total number of persons brought to trial during 1868 was 1,38,779, showing an increase of 305, as compared with the number (1,38,474) brought to trial in 1867, which, however, as has been already pointed out, did not include the Districts of Darjeeling and the Western Dooars. Deducting from the total number of persons tried, those, *viz.*, 1,402 brought to trial in the two districts above mentioned, it will be seen that there has been in 1868 an actual decrease of 1,097 persons tried, as compared with 1867.

The following table taken from Statement No. 1 shews the number of persons before

the Criminal Courts during the year under report, arranged in a descending scale :—

Between 11 & 12,000			persons in the	24-Pergunnahs.
,,	7 & 8,000	,,	,,	Backergunge.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Jessore.
,,	6 & 7,000	,,	,,	East Burdwan.
,,	5 & 6,000	,,	,,	Dacca.
,,	4 & 5,000	,,	,,	Hooghly.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Nuddea.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Patna.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Sylhet.
,,	3 & 4,000	,,	,,	Beerbhoom.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Cuttack.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Gya.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Howrah.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Midnapore.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Moorshedabad,
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Mymensingh.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Tipperah.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Lohardugga.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Tirhoot.
,,	2 & 3,000	,,	,,	Monghyr.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	West Burdwan.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Chittagong.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Furreedpore.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Purneah.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Rajshahye.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Pubna.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Rungpore.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Sarun.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Shahabad.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Noacolly.
,,	1 & 2,000	,,	,,	Bhaugulpore.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Balasore.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Pooree.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Dinagepore
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Maldah.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Bogra.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Chumparun.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Seebsagur.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Luckhimpore.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Kamroop.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Gowalpara.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Hazareebaugh.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Maunbhoom.
,,	1 & 2,000	,,	,,	Cachar.
,,	500 & 1,000	,,	,,	Nowgong.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Durrung.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Bhootan Dooars.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Darjeeling.
Less than 500		,,	,,	Singhbhoom.
,,	,, ,,	,,	,,	Cossyah Hills.

A comparison of this table with the one submitted with the annual Criminal Report for 1867 will show, that the districts in which there has been the largest increase of crime are Backergunge and Jessore, while in others, such as Dacca, Monghyr, Beerbhoom, Poorce, Balasore, Bograh and Maldah, there has been an increase, though not so large as in those two districts. With the exception of Backergunge, the Court has not received from the district authorities as full information on this subject as its importance deserves, and the Court has in consequence been in many cases unable to arrive at any satisfactory conclusion on the subject. Instructions have been issued which will, it is believed, ensure in future the submission of such data as will enable the Court to form an opinion as to the causes which have affected the crime of any particular district in any particular year, so far as this may be capable of explanation. In Backergunge, always one of the heaviest criminal districts in Bengal, the increase, for which however no particular reason can be assigned, is principally in crimes of the more serious kinds, while in the other districts, a comparison of the statements of the two past years show, that there has been a considerably larger number of cases arising out of offences against special laws, such as Abkaree, License Tax, Breach of Contract, Railway and Cattle Trespass Acts, in 1868 than in 1867.

Statement 1A shows the number of offences reported in each District, the number of cases, and the total number of persons brought to trial. It will be seen that there were reported 1,29,930 cases of crimes, of which 76,420 or 58·82 per cent. only were brought to trial. If therefore offences were actually committed in all these cases, the Police failed to trace the offenders, or the injured parties did not prosecute, in 41·18 out of every hundred offences reported to have been committed. These results are more satisfactory than

they were in 1867, when on a similar calculation being made, it was found that only 55·51 were actually prosecuted. The Court, however, inclines to the opinion that in reality many fewer criminals escape detection than these figures would imply. There is little doubt that many of the offences reported to the Police are not offences at all, and are proved not to be so, either in the Police investigation on the spot, or the more thorough enquiry before the Magistrate. The reporting as an offence that which on investigation turns out not to be criminal at all, has always been amongst certain classes particularly a favourite method of paying off old grudges, as it is certain to entail upon the person, against whom the accusation is brought, great annoyance if nothing worse, while from the difficulty there is generally in proving the charge to have been made falsely or maliciously, this course is very frequently adopted with perfect impunity.

There were at the close of the year 1,903 cases under trial, of which were pending:

More than two and not more than three months	59
More than one month and not more than two months	285
Not more than one month ..	1,527
	1,871

Deducting this total from 1,903 the entire number pending at the end of the year, the balance (32) is the number of cases pending beyond three months. The following table shews the Districts in which these cases were pending :—

	Three months and upwards.	Six months and upwards.	A year and upwards.
Backergunge	2	1	3
Burdwan (East)			2
" (West)	1	...	...
Moorshedabad	1	1	
Patna	1		
Rungpore	1		1
Sarun	1		2
Shahabad	1		
Noacolly	..		2
24-Pergunnahs	1	2	3
Seebsaugur	1		
Hazareebaugh	2		...
Lohardugga	1		1
Singbhoom	1		..
TOTAL	14	4	14

The total number of cases pending above three months at the end of 1868 was 32, as compared with 52 in 1867, and 57 in 1866. The number of cases pending more than a year has undergone no change during the past year, while that of those pending for more than six months has increased by one. In all these cases, with one exception, the accused have been found to be insane, and are now, under the orders of the local Government, confined in different lunatic asylums. The same cause is the reason of the non-disposal of a considerable portion of the cases shown as pending more than three months.

In Statement No. II. will be found, in detail, for each District, the number of persons convicted and committed, and the number *acquitted* after trial on a formal charge, or *discharged* in consequence of no offence being apparently proved against them at the preliminary hearing, or released, either in consequence of default of prosecution, or owing to the cases being compromised with the sanction of the Court. The number of persons convicted and committed forms 56·77 per cent. of the whole number of those whose cases were disposed of, while those acquitted, discharged, and released, amounted to 43·23 per cent The percentage of the average of convictions and committals is highest in the following Districts.—

Bhaugulpore ..	..	67
West Burdwan	..	67
Gya ..	..	67
Moorshedabad..	..	72
Sylhet ..	..	79
24-Pergunnahs	..	65
Luckhimpore ..	..	68
Nowgong ..	...	67
Kamroop ..	..	65
Cachar ..	..	65 and the
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills		74

It is lowest in—

Backergunge ...	...	40
East Burdwan..	..	45
Pubna ..	..	46
Lohardugga ..	..	42
Darjeeling ..	..	43

It is somewhat remarkable that the highest percentage of convictions and commitments was again in Sylhet, and the lowest in Backergunge, and that the figures in 1868 are, in both cases, precisely the same as they were in the preceding year.

Persons.

Released from attendance on the	Number	Percentage
1st Day	2,58,148	89 83
2nd „	22,622	7 87
3rd „	3,888	1 35
After three days	2,712	0 95
Total	2,87,370	100

From Statement No. III. it appears that 2,87,370 witnesses were examined by the different Magistrates during the year. The abstract on the margin shews how many of these, and what percentage, were released from attendance on the first, second and third day, and after three days respectively.

The largest number of witnesses were examined in the Courts of the 24-Pergunnahs, Dacca, Tipperah, Backergunge, Hooghly and Rajshahye.

The longest detentions of these witnesses were nine days in Backergunge, fifteen days in Sylhet, and eight days in Jessore. In Backergunge this was entirely owing to the Magisterial staff being numerically too weak to cope efficiently with the work of the district. In Sylhet and Jessore the causes were pressure of other work, and the illness of some of the Officers. There have been several instances of needless delay in discharging witnesses, owing either to inexperience, or an imperfect distribution of work. Wherever the latter has been the case the Court has invariably alluded to the subject in reviewing the quarterly statements, and has issued directions, with the view of preventing its continuance. It will be noticed, that a considerably larger number of witnesses have been examined than in 1867, and on the whole the results exhibited are not unsatisfactory.

	Number	Per cen
Imprisoned	21,383	30·54
Fined ..	46,561	66 49
Whipped	2,082	2 97
Total ..	70,026	100

In Statement No. IV, will be found a detail of the number of persons sentenced by the Magistrate to each of those kinds of punishments which they are competent to inflict. The abstract on the margin shews the total number of persons sentenced to imprisonment, fine, and whipping, respectively,

as well as the percentage of the whole number, which these totals respectively form. Of the total number of persons sentenced to imprisonment, the table on the margin shows how many were sentenced to periods exceeding two years and under, one year and under, and six months and under. It further shows the ratio to the whole number of sentences borne by the aggregate of each of these terms of imprisonment. This statement presents no very marked difference from that relating to the year 1867. There has been a slight decrease in the number of persons sentenced to imprisonment for above two years, and a considerable falling off in the number of persons flogged.

Imprisoned.	Number.	Per cent.
Above 2 years ...	285	1·33
„ 1 year	1,742	8 15
„ 6 months ...	2,413	11 28
Not above 6 months ...	16,943	79 24
Total	21,383	100

Fines on conviction for purely criminal offences were inflicted on 46,557 persons. The abstract in the margin shows the number of persons sentenced to pay fines, varying from Rupees 500 and upwards to less than Rupees 25. It also shows the proportion that the number of persons fined in each of the various amounts therein given, bore to the whole number of persons on whom this punishment was inflicted. Not including those so punished in the Western Dooars and Darjeeling, there were 1,123 more persons fined in 1868, than in 1867. This increase is entirely confined to those whose fines did not exceed Rupees 25.

Sentenced to pay fines.	Number of persons.	Per-centage.
Exceeding Rs. 500 ...	19	·03
Exceeding Rs. 100 and not exceeding Rs. 500	207	·37
Exceeding Rs. 50 and not exceeding Rs. 100	427	·75
Exceeding Rs. 25 and not exceeding Rs. 50 .	1,943	21·12
Not exceeding Rs. 25	43,961	77·73
Total	46,557	100

The largest amount of fines in the aggregate was in the districts of the 24-Pergunnahs and Dacca, the amount in the former being Rupees 29,416-8 annas that in the latter 29,088-5 both being more by upwards of Rupees 10,000 than the amount imposed in any other district. The amount of fines imposed, realized, and outstanding, is given in the margin,* but in many instances the fine statements have been so incorrectly prepared, that the Court is unable to accept these results as anything more than approximately correct.

Amount of fines imposed	...	5,38,100	13	11
Ditto realized	...	4,03,625	0	7
Balance outstanding	..	1,34,475	13	4

Persons sentenced to whipping.	Up to 10 Stripes	Up to 20 Stripes	Up to 30 Stripes
In lieu of other punishment under Section 2, Act VI. 1864	652	966	321
In lieu or in addition, on a second conviction under Section 3	16	75	52
In addition, on a second conviction under Section 14 ..	1	5	5
Juvenile offenders under Section 5	88	19	2
Total	757	1,065	380

In Statements IV A., IV B., IV C., will be found a detail of the sentences passed under the Whipping Act, and on the margin will be found an abstract of the general results, which shows that, out of a total of 2,202 persons, 1,939 were flogged in lieu of other punishment under Section 2 of the Act; 143 on a second conviction under Section 3 in addition to, or in lieu of any other punishment; and 11 in addition to other punishment on a second conviction under Section 4. In addition to the number of adults specified above, there were 109 juvenile offenders flogged under Section 5.

PERCENTAGE.

Up to	10	Stripes	34·38
"	20	"	48 16
"	30	"	17 26
			100

The percentage abstract shows that the number sentenced to the maximum number of stripes allowed by the law was only 17·26 per cent. of the whole number. The largest number of persons so punished in any one district, was 178 in the 24-Pergunnahs, the next highest number being 85 in Patna. In three districts, *viz.*, Luckhimpore, Cachar and the Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills, this punishment was not inflicted at all.

Only four appeals were preferred against orders awarding stripes as against forty-three in 1867; of these, three were in Singbhoom, and one in Tipperah; in three, the orders were confirmed, in one reversed. These results seem to indicate that the Criminal authorities have used the powers conferred on them by this Act with discretion and judgment, and the Court has no reason, from any thing that has come to its notice, to think that this has not been the case.

Statement No. V. shews the average duration of cases before the Magistrates (*a*) in which the agency of the Police was employed, and (*b*) of those in which it was not; of the former the average was highest in the following districts:—

Backergunge	..	41 days.
Western Dooars	..	31 "
Dacca.	..	25 "

Furreedpore	.	24 days.
Gya	..	23 „
Mymensingh	..	23 „

In both classes of cases it was lowest in —

Howrah	..	3 days.
Seebsaugur	..	4 „
Purneah	..	5 „
Balasore	..	6 „
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills		5½ „

The average duration of cases in which the Police was not employed was highest in:

Dacca	..	20 days.
Gya	..	20 „
Furreedpore	..	17 „
Hooghly	..	16 „
Pubna	..	15 „
Rungpore	..	15 „

And lowest in —

Singbhoom	..	1¾ „
Cossyah Hills	..	2⅔ „
The Districts of the Assam Division from	..	3 to 2 „
Howrah	..	4 „

There has been a very considerable increase in the Districts of Backergunge and the Western Dooars. The reason in the first appears to be, that the Police are numerically not strong enough to cope efficiently with the work of process-serving, in addition tc their own legitimate duties, and this fact has been brought to the notice of the Government of Bengal. For the second, no reason has been given, but the difference between 1867 and the year under notice, is so marked, that the Court has called for an explanation on the subject.

The high average observable in the Districts of Dacca and Furreedpore is owing to the difficulties which attend locomotion during the rainy season, though the Court is of opinion that in these districts, as in Gya, where no such difficulties exist, the averages might be considerably reduced, a result which it is hoped may be accomplished during the current year.

Criminal business in the Courts of the Magistrates.	1867.		1868.	
	Disposed of.	Pending.	Disposed of.	Pending.
Bailable and non-bailable cases	75,247	1,764	76,963	1,959
Miscellaneous business	1,80,508	2,238	1,73,364	2,152
Cases under Chap. XXII Code of Criminal Procedure ...	495	42	366	40

In Statement No. VI. will be found the total number of non-bailable and bailable cases and of appeals, and also of miscellaneous cases disposed of during the year, and pending at the close of it. This statement further exhibits the number of cases arising out of disputes relating to the possession of land, or the right of use of land or water, cognizable under Chap. XXII. of the Code of Criminal Procedure. A reference to the abstract in the margin shows, that the number of Criminal cases, bailable and non-bailable, disposed of in 1868, exceeded by 845, that in 1867, after deducting from the former the number disposed of in the Western Dooars and Darjeeling, as those districts were not, as has been already stated, included in the returns for 1867. Miscellaneous business and cases under Chap. XXII of the Code of Criminal Procedure have decreased in number, the former slightly, the latter considerably. Of the forty cases under Chap. XXII undecided at the end of the year, only three were pending for more than two months, in consequence of local investigations having been found necessary, and these were disposed of shortly after the commencement of the present year.

Statement No. VII. shews the number of appeals from the orders of Subordinate Magistrates made to Magistrates of Districts under Section 412 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the number rejected, the number in which the orders of the Subordinate Magistrates were confirmed, and the number of cases in which those orders were modified or reversed.

Appeals from Subordinate Magistrates.	Number.	Per cent.
Rejected ..	112	6·82
Order confirmed .	999	60·80
Order reversed or modified ...	532	32·38
	1,643	100

As shewn in the abstract, there were, out of a total of 1,643 appeals preferred, 112 or 6·82 rejected; 999 or 60·80 in which the orders of the Lower Courts were confirmed; and 532 or 32·38 in which they were reversed or modified

These are on the whole more favorable results than were exhibited in 1867.

The district in which the returns are most creditable to the Subordinate Magistrates, is Dacca, where out of 27 appeals preferred, the judgments in 25 were affirmed or the appeals rejected. The only district in which the number of appeals reversed exceeded that of those on which the judgment were affirmed, was Pooree, where the proportions were 22 of the former to 18 of the latter.

Statement No. VIII. shews the personal share taken by Magistrates of Districts in the criminal judicial work of their respective districts. From this it will be observed that the fifty Officers who held this Office throughout the Regulation and Non-Regulation Provinces disposed of, summarily, 5,054 criminal cases, and committed 253 cases for trial by the Sessions Judges, which involved the examination of 13,107 witnesses. They also heard 1,643 appeals from the order of the Subordinate Magistrates.

The districts in which these Officers took the large share in criminal work are:

Sylhet.
Rungpore.
Howrah.
Hazareebaugh.
Luckhimpore.
Noacolly.
Monghyr
and
Fureedpore.

On the whole a larger portion of this work than usual has been done by the Magistrates, though in many districts it was hardly more than nominal. The duties devolving upon these Officers in their double capacity of Magistrate and Collector are so numerous and multifarious, that in many districts but little more than general supervision can be expected from them. While therefore this is carefully and properly exercised, the Court is not disposed to insist upon their taking a larger share in the mere trial of cases, because it is certain that if

they do so, they must neglect, or perform in a less efficient manner, work which can be done by no one so properly as themselves.

During 1868, there were in the fifty districts comprised in the Regulation and Non-Regulation Provinces, 31 Honorary Magistrates, of whom 2 were invested with the full powers of a Magistrate in the 24-Pergunnahs, and 1 in Dacca; 7 exercised the powers of Subordinate Magistrates of the 1st class, and the remaining 22 those of Subordinate Magistrates of the 2nd class; they disposed of 1,719 cases in which 3,065 persons were concerned, of whom 1,619 were convicted, and 1,446 acquitted. Only 47 appeals were preferred, the orders in 25 of which were confirmed, and in 20 reversed or modified, 2 remaining unheard at the end of the year.

The amount of work done by these gentlemen has considerably increased during the past year, and in some districts such as Beerbhoom, East Burdwan, Dacca, Mymensingh, and Lohardugga, the number of prisoners tried by them was by no means small. The result of appeals has also improved, and taking into consideration that the number preferred has only increased by 2, while the number of cases disposed of is larger by 520, than it was in the preceding year, the Court thinks that it is evident that the work has been, in the great majority of cases, performed in a satisfactory and careful manner.

Statement No. IX, shews in detail for each district the number of cases disposed of during the year by the Courts of Session, the number of persons tried, the number convicted and sentenced, the number acquitted, the number whose cases were referred to the High Court, and the number of commitments pending at the close of the year.

The abstract on the margin shews the number and percentage of those convicted, acquitted, and whose cases were referred to the High Court.

Persons tried by the Courts of Session.	Number.	Percentage.
Convicted	2,330	60·29
Acquitted	1,441	37·28
Referred to High Court	94	2·43
	5	100

The relative proportions of convictions, acquittals, and references to the High Court, were almost precisely the same in 1868, as they were in 1867, but in the actual number of persons committed, there has been a decrease of 940 in the year under report.

The districts in which the largest number of Sessions trials were held were the following —

Rungpore	102
Jessore	100
Cuttack	92
Dacca .. .	87
Bhaugulpore..	82

The results most creditable to the committing Officers were obtained in the districts of—

West Burdwan.
Dacca.
Rungpore.
Assam
Chota-Nagpore.

Those in which the largest proportionate number of acquittals took place were—

Twenty-four Pergunnahs and Hooghly.

in both of which the trials are for the most part conducted with the aid of juries.

The trial of the 1,687 cases disposed of, occupied 1,951½ days, or rather more than an average of one day for each case.

In Statement No. X. is shewn the appeals from orders passed in criminal trials and miscellaneous proceedings by Officers exercising the full powers of a Magistrate, which were preferred to the Courts of Session during the year; the result of those appeals, the number of days occupied in disposing of them, and the number pending

Appeals	In Criminal trials		Miscellaneous	
	No.	Per cent	No.	P. C.
Appeals rejected	493	11·34	134	42·27
Orders confirmed	2,710	62·36	99	31 23
Orders reversed	1,143	26 30	84	260
Total	4,346	100	3 1	100

at the close of the year. These results will be found abstracted on the margin. The aggregate percentage of appeals rejected is lower, while that of those in which the orders were reversed, is somewhat higher than in 1867, and this statement therefore, taken as a whole is not quite so satisfactory as the one submitted for that year.

The ratio of appeals rejected and confirmed to those reversed, is highest in —

Balasore.	Nuddea.
Dinagepore.	Rungpore.
Midnapore.	Shahabad.

Sylhet.

And lowest in :

West Burdwan.	Purneah.
Beerbhoom.	Lohardugga, and

Singbhoom.

the number of appeals reversed in the last four Districts exceeding the number rejected and confirmed.

Persons sentenced by Sessions Judge to	Numbers
Death	96
Transportation for life	223
Imprisonment for 14 years.	3
" " 13 "	"
" " 12 "	"
" " 11 "	"
" " 10 "	197
" " 9 "	2
" " 8 "	11
" " 7 "	285
" " 6 "	64
" " 5 "	370
" " 4 "	73
" " 3 "	342
" " 2 "	261
" " 1 "	220
" " less than 1 year	257
Fine d and dicharged " "	14
Total.	2,424

Table No. XI. shews the total number of persons sentenced by Sessions Judges and the nature and amount of the punishments inflicted. The abstract on the margin exhibits those results.

The districts in which the greatest number of persons was sentenced at the Sessions were Midnapore (168) Rungpore (196) Dacca (156) Backergunge and Jessore (131) Chota-Nagpore (116) Tirhoot (109) Tipperah (105) Mymensingh (104) Gya (102.) The smallest number sentenced in any Regulation District was (18) in Beerbhoom, the smallest number in the Non-Regulation Provinces was (11) in Cooch-Behar, which comprises the two Districts of the Western Dooars and Darjeeling. There were 29 more persons sentenced to transportation for life; on the other hand there were 166 less persons transported for seven years and 18 less transported for ten years than in 1867.

As was the case in that year there were more persons sentenced to five years imprisonment than to any other term. Of the

total of 2,417 convicted by the Sessions Judges, 1,543 or nearly two-thirds were sentenced to imprisonment for five years, and under.

Capital sentences were passed on 96 persons in 68 cases; of these, 9 persons were so sentenced in Backergunge, 14 in Rungpore, and 13 in Chota-Nagpore; the largest numbers in the other districts being 6 in Bhaugulpore and Cachar, and 5 in Assam. No capital sentence was passed in the Districts of Cuttack, Dacca, Purneáh, Shahabad, Cooch-Behar, and the Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills. The abstract in the margin shows that both in the number of cases and of persons, there has been a decrease in the year under report.

Sentenced to Death.	Cases.	Persons.
1867	74	105
1868	68	96

No sentence of forfeiture of property under Section 62 of Penal Code was passed in 1868.

The table in the margin shews the state of the files of the Sessions Judges at the close of the year.

	Cases.	Persons.
Backergunge ..	8	24
Beerbhoom .	"	"
Bhaugulpore	10	13
Burdwan, East	5	10
Burdwan, West ...	2	6
Chittagong ..	7	11
Cuttack	22	23
Dacca	8	19
Dinagepore	15	57
Gya .	24	47
Hooghly	13	25
Jessore	4	6
Midnapore	6	17
Moorshedabad	1	3
Mymensing	17	44
Nuddea ..	"	"
Patna	6	8
Purneah .	4	8
Rajshaye ...	4	4
Rungpore ...	19	59
Sarun ...	4	7
Shahabad ...	8	15
Sylhet .	"	"
Tipperah ..	4	8
Tirhoot .	6	14
24-Pergunnahs	4	12
Assam	5	12
Chota-Nagpore .	14	26
Cooch-Behar .	"	"
Cachar	"	"
Cossyah & Jynteeah Hills	"	"
	220	478

The cases pending were nearly all such as had been committed at the end of the year, and consequently too late to be disposed of before its close. With the exception of one or two, in which the accused were found to be insane, and which have therefore, been postponed *sine die*, all were disposed of in the first Sessions of the current year.

HIGH COURT.

(Appellate Side.)

THE nature and quantity of Criminal business transacted by the High Court on its Appellate side is shewn in Table XII and may be classified as follows :—

I.—Sentences of death referred by the Courts of Sessions for confirmation under

Chapter XXVIII of the Code of Criminal Procedure

II.—Revision of the cases of prisoners punished by Sessions Judges without reference, under Chapter XXIX of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

III —The hearing and decision of appeals in criminal cases under Chapter XXX.

IV.—Miscellaneous proceedings not included under the foregoing heads.

Under the *first* of these heads, there were before the Court, during the year (1868,) 76 cases, including 103 persons, all of which were disposed of during the year. As regards 51 persons, or 46·9 per cent. of the whole number, the sentence of death was confirmed. In the case of 33 persons the extreme sentence of the law was commuted to transportation for life One person was sentenced to transportation for seven years, and one to rigorous imprisonment for ten years. A re-trial was ordered in the case of one person; and thirteen persons were acquitted.

On revision.	Number.	Per cent.
Orders Confirmed	116	47 54
„ Modified	6	2 46
„ Reversed ...	122	50
Total ...	244	100

Under the second head, there were disposed of during the year 244 out of 262 cases, leaving 18 pending at the close of the year. Of these 244 cases the orders of the Lower Courts were confirmed, in 116 or 47·54, per cent. modified, in 6 or 2·46 per cent, and reversed in 122 or 50. per cent. 156 of the whole number decided, were referred for the orders of the High Court by Sessions Judges or Magistrates, and eighty-eight were called for by the Court, either on motion made by parties believing themselves aggrieved, or *suo motu*, when from a perusal of the Calendar of Sessions trials revision seemed necessary.

Under the *third* head, there were for disposal during the year, 849 appeals, of which 789, were disposed of, 60 remaining pending at the close of the year. The result of those disposed of is shewn on the margin. 81-1·50per cent. of the whole represent the cases in which the orders appealed from were confirmed, as compared with 87 14 in 1867, The proportion of appeals, in which the orders of the Lower Courts have been upheld, is not so large as it was in either of the two preceding years, but the Court thinks that, notwithstanding this, it cannot be considered otherwise than as satisfactory.

Result of Appeals	Number	Per cent
Orders Confirmed	643	81 50
„ Modified	65	8 24
„ Reversed	76	9 63
Cases Remanded	5	63
Total,	789	100

Under the *fourth* head there were disposed of 108 cases, of which 33 or 30·55 per cent. were rejected or struck off the files or otherwise disposed of In 69 or 63·89 per cent. the orders of the Lower Courts were confirmed, in one case the order was modified: and in five cases the orders were reversed In addition to the cella-146 mis neous work shewn under this head, Re- solutions, as detailed in the margin, were prepared and issued, under the direction of the Judges forming the English Committee, the Judge in the English Department, and the Judges forming the Bench for the revision of Jail Delivery Statements.

Result of Miscellaneous Cases	Number.	Percentage
Petitions Rejected, &c	33	30 55
Orders Confirmed ...	69	63 89
„ Modified	1	·93
„ Reversed	5	4 63
Total .	108	100

Resolutions on Jail Delivery Statements	2 42
„ Quarterly Statements .	173
„ Annual Statements . .	31
Total	446

HIGH COURT

(Original Side).

In the exercise of its Original Criminal Jurisdiction, the High Court held nine Sessions during 1868. The cases of 294 persons were dealt with in the manner shown in the margin. The six persons entered as discharged without trial, were those, the charges against whom were found to be unsustainable, and who were therefore dealt with in the manner prescribed by Section 8, Act XIII of 1865, (the High Court's Criminal Prodecure Amendment Act)

	Number	Per cent.
Discharged without trial ..	6	2 04
Acquitted on trial ..	75	25 51
Convicted	207	70·41
Remanded or remaining .	6	2 04
Total	294	100

Of the six persons shewn as remanded or remaining, four were persons of unsound mind, who were remanded for disposal by Government, and two were not tried on account of the absence through illness of material witnesses.

Statement No. XIII gives the time occupied by each Sessions, and the details of the sentences passed on the 207 persons convicted. Two persons were sentenced to death, one to transportation for life, eleven to transportation from seven to fourteen years, one to Penal Servitude for life, two to Penal Servitude from four to ten years, 185 were sentenced to rigorous mprisonment for terms ranging from seven years downwards, and one person was sentenced to simple imprisonment in the Common Jail.

Two persons were fined, one was sentenced to solitary confinement, and one was whipped in addition to imprisonment.

The nine Sessions occupied eighty days; the longest time taken up by any one was seventeen days, the shortest, four days.

In conclusion, I am to observe that the submission of this report has been delayed beyond the usual time from the same cause as that which retarded the preparation of the Civil Administration Report, and which has therein been explained.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

F. B. PEACOCK,

Registrar.

STATEMENT No. I.

Cases tried by Magistrates during 1868.

DISTRICTS.	Pending at the end of 1867.		Number brought to trial during 1868.		Received by Transfer.		Total number of persons under trial.	Persons.			Otherwise disposed of.	Under trial at the end of 1868.				Cases pending		
	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons		Convicted.	Committed.	Released.		Cases.	Persons in Jail.	Persons on bail.	Persons on recognizance.	Not more than three months.	Not more than two months	Not more than one month.
Backergunge	90	178	4,163	7,045	1	3	7,226	2,589	172	4,199	50	134	64	115	97	16	25	87
Beerbhoom	18	38	1,786	3,062			3,100	1,702	24	1,308		32	7	54	4	3	4	25
Bhaugulpore — Baugulpore	*18	47	1,036	1,871	2	3	1,921	1,178	57	622	15	25	20	30	9	...	3	22
Bhaugulpore — Monghyr	15	50	1,581	2,687			2,737	1,587	75	1,042	2	18	17	12	2		1	17
Burdwan East	47	98	3,366	6,159	1	7	6,264	2,690	100	3,346	4	43	25	93	6	.	3	38
„ West	23	86	1,228	2,489			2,575	1,598	79	823	2	30	28	45	..		9	20
Chittagong	46	113	1,191	2,415		.	2,528	1,465	68	976	3	11	4	8	4	...	1	10
Cuttack — Cuttack	49	107	1,764	3,001			3,198	1,764	81	1,201	7	63	89	37	19	.	15	48
Cuttack — Balasore	17	71	845	1,387			1,458	705	44	627	4	43	32	46			1	42
Cuttack — Pooree	27	57	884	1,637	1	4	1,698	801	31	812	4	27	5	26	19	...	.	27
Dacca — Dacca	141	290	2,649	5,484	1	5	5,779	3,107	79	2,404	43	88	21	68	57	6	23	59
Dacca — Furreedpore	55	96	962	1,939			2,035	1,023	120	785	14	54	13	42	38	4	11	39
Dinagepore — Dinagepore	13	26	778	1,557	2	4	1,587	735	129	682	8	13	32	1	.		...	13
Dinagepore — Maldah	11	26	623	1,365			1,391	782	35	538	7	13	6	23		1		12
Gya	44	52	1,668	2,954		...	3,006	1,805	148	968	10	50	50	21	4	1	7	42
Hooghly — Hooghly	72	107	2,807	4,449	2	14	4,570	2,535	107	1,775	22	73	20	87	24		7	66
Hooghly — Howrah	18	28	2,621	3,548			3,576	1,978	48	1,530	4	12	2	13	1	1		.
Jessore	88	349	3,531	6,804			7,153	3,043	188	3,819	8	40	29	57	9	...	4	45
Midnapore	35†	85	1,468	3,188	1	1	3,274	1,997	272	889	5	65	20	67	24	4	5	56
Moorshedabad	45	86	1,922	3,444			3,430	1,518	99	1,704	25	53	21	38	26	4	10	37
Mymensingh	88	141	2,244	3,536	2	5	3,682	1,881	194	1,397	22	95	63	76	49	4	17	74
Nuddea	61‡	174	2,055	4,067	2	2	4,243	2,230	90	1,828	9	40	15	65	6	...	2	38
Patna	62	192	2,253	4,336	4	8	4,536	2,137	135	2,134	11	58	53	58	18	1	12	44
Purneah	44	79	1,226	2,536	3	6	2,621	1,325	87	1,199	10	33	32	64	4	...	1	32
Rajshahye — Rajshahye	22	37	1,154	2,205			2,242	1,323	61	826	2	13	4	18	8	.	2	11
Rajshahye — Pubna	70	175	1,292	2,503			2,678	1,092	72	1,364	40	61	10	94	6	2	16	43
Rungpore — Rungpore	45	88	1,569	2,554	1	5	2,647	1,298	105	1,196	15	19	11*	16	6		3	15
Rungpore — Bograh	33	67	1,058	1,848			1,915	921	143	817	10	13	10	11	4	.	1	11
Sarun	48	123	1,254	2,530	5	24	2,677	1,417	82	1,030	34	59	23	64	27	1	16	39
Shahabad	32	56	1,649	2,913	5	7	2,976	1,427	92	1,314	8	65	38	57	40	..	4	66
Sylhet	23	66	1,757	4,078			1,444	3,117	82	840	11	34	44	42	8	1	7	26
Tipperah — Tipperah	46	77	2,129	3,499			3,576	1,962	56	1,488	2	45	18	29	21	1	8	36
Tipperah — Noacolly	21	38	1,641	2,859			2,897	1,386	114	1,310	8	46	17	41	21		11	33
Tirhoot — Tirhoot	55	107	1,594	2,879	1	1	3,087	1,695	95	1,201	12	45	26	32	26		2	43
Tirhoot — Champarun	34	68	778	1,687	1	5	1,760	721	61	845	26	52	81	20	6	1	6	45
24-Pergunnahs	100	161	6,725	11,099	1	3	11,263	6,886	222	3,858	28	164	51	150	68	3	25	130
Assam — Seebsagur	1	1	956	1,523			1,524	881	12	624		4	2		5			3
Assam — Luckimpore	3	3	840	1,383			1,386	938		443		4	1	4				4
Assam — Nowgong	6	9	400	838			847	550	15	283						.		
Assam — Durrung	4	5	351	585			590	346	16	227	1							...
Assam — Kamroop	3	5	878	1,406	14	21	1,432	891	29	498	1	5	2	6	7	..	1	4
Assam — Gowalparah	11	16	731	1,203	21	24	1,243	685	2	538	7	5	2	9		.	..	5
Chota-Nagpore — Hazareebaugh	19	33	786	1,442			1,475	821	47	568	1	16	7	9	22		1	13
Chota-Nagpore — Lohardugga	8	9	1,578	2,998			3,007	1,116	75	1,656	52	37	49	40	19	3	4	28
Chota-Nagpore — Maunbhoom	19	30	940	1,763		.	1,793	916	47	731	3	44	59	24	13	2	6	36
Chota-Nagpore — Singbhoom	1	3	205	480			482	272	9	197	4	5	7		3†		1	3
Cooch Behar — Garrow Hills																		
Cooch Behar — Bhootan Dooars	23	38	402	701	1	1	741	337	8	346	4	28	17	11	18		8	20
Cooch Behar — Darjeeling	4	4	483	741			745	307	1	403	28	3		6	2		1	2
Cachar	13	20	1,067	1,830			1,858	1,171	9	644	3	14	21	8	3		1	13
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills			102	164			164	122		42								.
Total	1,771	3,816	76,420	1,38,779	72	153	1,42,748	74,674	3,906	58,834	587	1,903	1,168	1,827	752	59	285	1,527

* Not including 3 cases involving 7 persons which were struck off as false cases

‡ Not including 5 cases involving 48 persons which were struck off.

† Not including 11 cases involving 20 persons which were declared false after Judicial enquiry.

* Of these persons 2 were confined in jail in default of security.

† Of these persons 1 was insane

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STATEMENT No. I—A.

DISTRICTS.		No. of offences reported.	Brought to trial.	
			Cases.	Persons.
Backergunge ..	.. .. ..	2,188	4,163	7,045
Beerbhoom ..	.. .. ..	1,947	1,786	3,062
Bhaugulpore ..	Bhaugulpore	2,338	1,036	1,871
	Monghyr	3,356	1,581	2,687
Burdwan, East ..	.. .. ..	3,555	3,366	6,159
„ West ..	.. .. ..	1,894	1,228	2,489
Chittagong ..	.. .. ..	1,981	1,191	2,415
Cuttack ..	Cuttack	3,269	1,764	3,091
	Balasore	909	845	1,387
	Pooree	1,300	884	1,637
Dacca ..	Dacca	4,898	2,649	5,484
	Furreedpore	3,122	962	1,939
Dinagepore ..	Dinagapore	1,403	778	1,557
	Maldah	1,230	623	1,365
Gya ..	.. .. ..	3,486	1,668	2,954
Hooghly ..	Hooghly	4,431	2,907	4,449
	Howrah	3,206	2,021	3,548
Jessore ..	.. .. ..	4,653	3,531	6,804
Midnapore ..	.. .. ..	2,411	1,468	3,188
Moorshedabad ..	.. .. ..	4,346	1,922	3,344
Mymensing ..	.. ..	5,156	2,244	3,536
Nuddea ..	.. .. ..	3,356	2,055	4,067
Patna ..	.. .. ..	5,010	2,253	4,336
Purneah ..	.. .. ..	1,823	1,226	2,536
Rajshahye ..	Rajshahye	2,876	1,154	2,205
	Pubna	3,246	1,292	2,503
Rungpore ..	Rungpore	1,595	1,569	2,554
	Bograh	1,855	1,058	1,848
Sarun ..	.. .. ..	3,623	1.254	2,530
Shahabad ..	.. .. ..	2,141	1,649	2,913
Sylhet ..	.. .. ..	7,066	1,757	4,078
Tipperah ..	Tipperah	4,401	2,129	3,499
	Noacolly	4,164	1,641	2,859
Tirhoot ..	Tirhoot	2,845	1,594	2,979
	Chumparun	1,379	778	1,687
24-Pergunnahs ..	.. .. ..	9,249	6,725	11,099
Assam ..	Seebsagur	1,616	956	1,523
	Luckimpore	1,238	840	1,383
	Nowgong	628	400	838
	Durrung	917	351	585
	Kamroop	875	878	1,406
	Gowalparah	977	731	1,203
Chota-Nagpore ..	Hazareebaugh ..	1,044	786	1,442
	Lohardugga	1,747	1,578	2,998
	Maunbhoom ..	1,633	940	1,763
	Singhboom	205	205	489
Cooch-Behar ..	Bhootan Dooars ..	738	402	701
	Darjeeling	460	433	741
Cachar ..	.. .. ..	2,023	1,067	1,839
Cossyah and Jyntecah Hills	.. .. ..	121	102	164
	TOTAL	1,29,930	76,420	1,38,779

STATEMENT No. II.

Persons Convicted, Committed or Released.

DISTRICTS.		Number of Persons convicted and committed.		No. of persons acquitted and discharged.	Percentage of persons convicted and committed to total number tried.
		Convicted.	Committed.		
Backergunge		2,589	172	4,139	40
Beerbhoom		1,703	24	1,308	57
Bhaugulpore	Bhaugulpore	1,178	57	622	67
	Monghyr	1,587	75	1,042	61
Burdwan, East		2,690	100	3,346	45
" West		1,598	79	823	67
Chittagong		1,465	68	976	61
Cuttack	Cuttack	1,764	81	1,201	61
	Pooree	801	31	812	51
	Balasore	705	44	627	54
Dacca	Dacca	3,107	79	2,404	57
	Furreedpore	1,023	120	785	59
Dinagepore	Dinagepore	735	129	682	56
	Maldah	782	35	538	60
Gya		1,805	148 (a)	968	67
Howrah	Hooghly	2,535	107	1,775	60
	Howrah	1,978	48	1,530	57
Jessore		3,043	188	3,819	46
Midnapore		1,997	272	889	72
Moorshedabad		1,518	99	1,704	49
Mymensingh		1,881	194	1,397	60
Nuddea		2,230	90	1,828	56
Patna		2,137	125	2,134	51
Purneah		1,225	87	1,199	52
Rajshahye	Rajshahye	1,323	61	826	63
	Pubna	1,092	72	1,364	46
Rungpore	Rungpore	1,298	105	1,196	54
	Bograh	921	142	817	57
Sarun		1,417	82	1,030	59
Shahabad		1,427	92	1,314	54
Sylhet		3,117	82	840	79
Tipperah	Tipperah	1,962	56	1,488	58
	Noacolly	1,386	114	1,310	53
Tirhoot	Tirhoot	1,695	95	1,201	60
	Chumparun	721	61	845	48
24-Pergunnahs		6,886	222	3,858	65
Assam	Seebsagur	881	12	624	59
	Lukimpore	938	....	443	68
	Nowgong	550	15	282	67
	Durrung	346	16	227	61
	Kamroop	891	29	496	65
	Gowalparah	685	2	538	56
Chota-Nagpore	Hazarcebaugh	821	47	568	60
	Lohardugga	1,116	75	1,656	42
	Maunbhoom	916	47	731	57
	Singbhoom	272	9	197	59
Cooch-Behar	Bhootan Dooars	337	8	346	50
	Darjeeling	307	1	403	43
Cachar		1,171	9	644	65
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills		122	....	42	74
Total		74,674	3,906	59,834	2,888

(a) Two persons have not been entered whose commitment was cancelled by the High Court.

STATEMENT No. III.

Abstract Statement showing the number of witnesses examined in the several Magisterial Courts with the periods of their attendance during the year 1868.

DISTRICTS.	No. of Witnesses who attended in Court for the Year 1868.			
	One day.	Two days.	Three days.	More than three days.
Backergunge..	12,208	3,256	1,935	1,772
Beerbhoom	3,223	358	32	46
Bhaugulpore..	9,235	444	60	.....
Burdwan, East	7,200	441	21	....
„ West	5,824	51	8	....
Chittagong	4,142	265	18	16
Cuttack	10,804	673	84	60
Dacca	15,769	2,021	331	21
Dinagepore	5,331	336	77	96
Gya	7,842	741	57	9
Hooghly	12,860	1,174	91	48
Jessore	10,189	1,136	92	23
Midnapore	7,181	475	93	....
Moorshedabad	8,514	1,580	138	14
Mymensingh	10,406	278	49	29
Nuddea	9,355	764	20	....
Patna	7,182	298	....	....
Purneah	4,498	5	....	....
Rajshahye	12,180	804	3	....
Rungpore	9,124	865	67	32
Sarun	5,989	133	....	....
Shahabad	6,172	120	....	.....
Sylhet	6,522	1,060	298	450
Tipperah	13,962	1,227	87	.....
Tirhoot	8 748	125	4	....
24-Pergunnahs	19,639	2,706	196	7
Assam	10,943	490	36	19
Chota-Nagpore	7,902	370	33	19
Cooch-Behar..	1,694	252	58	51
Cachar	3,067	171	....	....
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills	443	3	.....	....
Total ...	2,58,148	22,622	3,888	2,712

STATEMENT No. IV.

Persons sentenced by Magistrates to imprisonment or fine.

DISTRICTS		Persons imprisoned: Above two years	Above one year	Above six months	Not exceeding six months	Whipped	Persons fined	Security	Dismissed from Office	Total.	Number of Persons on whom were imposed fines of: Above Rs 500	Above Rs 100	Above Rs. 50	Above Rs 23	Rs. 23 and under
Backergunge		4	100	84	562	17	1,313	510		2,589	4	13	7	60	1,229
Beerbhoom			5	22	229	47	1,288	111		1,703		1	4	19	1,265
Bhaugulpore	Bhaugulpore		10	48	330	43	729	18		1,178		2	5	21	701
	Monghyr		71	60	304	114	961	77		1,587		10	11	63	877
Burdwan, East		25	6	61	470	31	1,722	375		2,690		1	1	75	1,645
" West			68	55	357	55	942	121		1,598		10	5	33	894
Chittagong		25	9	47	234	10	1,074a	66		1,465		1	9	27	1,031
Cuttack	Cuttack	28	4	93	319	59	1,306	15		1,764		2	7	53	1,244
	Pooree		16	15	239	15	516			801	1	6	7	32	470
	Balasore		3	28	104	34	527	9		705		3	5	7	512
Dacca	Dacca	14	59	55	6 0	74	2 016	249		3,107	4	18	26	95	1,873
	Furreedpore	1	49	41	298	15	540	77	2	1,023		3	2	5	530
Dinagepore	Dinagepore		6	49	309	51	284	56		735		3	3	15	244
	Maldah	4	14	20	192	9	534	4	5	782		3	4	35	492
Gya			53	124	476	88	838	206	20	1,805	1	2	9	94	730
Hooghly	Hooghly		20	32	441	91	1,895	114	2	2 595		2	10	76	1,807
	Howrah		20	33	299	63	1,555	8		1,978		6	26	64	1,459
Jessore		17	105	159	786	63	1,548	365		3,043		3	8	70	1,487
Midnapore			33	32	340	62	1,748	181	1	1,997		1	8	42	1,297
Moorshedabad			16	38	400	30	809	122	2	1,507g		2	22	77	798
Mymensingh			111	53	274	41	1,308	94		1,881	5	7	18	65	1,213
Nuddea			1.2	123	522	127	1,280	66		2,230		6	20	50	1,304
Patna			85	157	445	92	1,328	25	5	2,137		13	38	36	1 241
Purneah		3	22	47	247	36	898	32		1,225		4	4	24	806
Rajshahye	Rajshahye	8	19	23	390	18	784k	81		1,323		2	2	22	760
	Pubna		9	31	295	24	696	33	2	1,092		4	12	30	650
Rungpore	Rungpore	10	32	53	265	12	869	28		1,298		3	6	41	818
	Bograh		21	40	298	88	502	17		916e		2	3	22	475
Sarun			28	55	471	90	739	32	2	1,417		10	10	61	654
Shahabad			54	114	289	76	891	3		1,127		4	20	32	835
Sylhet			65	42	695	40	2,072	203		3,117		10	12	53	1,997
Tipperah	Tipperah	5	20	36	676	19	1,175	31		1,962	1	1	8	58	1,107
	Noacolly	26	8	25	199	6	1,047	75		1,386		1	5	52	980
Tirhoot	Tirhoot	2	94	90	535	99	789	86		1,695	1	8	13	51	715
	Chumparun		51	54	298	29	255	31	3	721		2	3	10	239
24 Pergunnahs		1	104	147	1,161	196b	5,112	165		6 886	1	21	17	124	4,119
Assam	Seebsagur		11	8	287	10	455	23	1	794d		1	3	24	427
	Luckimpore	8	8	6	294	1	579	41	1	938			16	50	513
	Nowgong		6	14	141	13	299	1		474e			3	16	288
	Durrung		22	15	134	5	135	35		346		2		9	124
	Kamroop	28	19	39	196	16	561	1		860f	1	1	1	14	544
	Gowalparah	1	1	8	204	14	454	3		685			1	9	444
Chota-Nagpore	Hazareebaugh	27	48	26	134	16	582	8		821			4	19	539
	Lohardugga		47	47	307	26	651	38		1,116		5	4	11	631
	Maunbhoom	29	22	33	195	27	554	53	3	916			5	25	524
	Singbhoom		6	6	81	35	144			272		1	3	4	136
Cooch-Behar	Bhootan Dooars	10	23	19	62	20	193	10		337			4	22	107
	Darjeeling	74	5	12	61	14	9	202	1	311l		1	1	3	4
Cachar			10	31	415	1	428	286		1,171		5	12	37	974
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills		1	12	23	40		40	6		122				6	34
TOTAL		285	1,742	2,413	16,943	2,082	46,561	4,392	50	74,468	19	207	427	1,943	43,961

(*a*) Including 6 persons who were not fined but whose property was confiscated.

(*b*) Not including 29 persons who were both whipped and imprisoned.

(*c*) Not including 5 persons convicted under Section 316 Criminal Poocedure Code, the sentence being that defendants give maintenance to complainants.

(*d*) Not including 87 persons released on promise to carry out their contracts.

(*e*) Not including 76 persons—Maintenance 7, specific performance ordered 69.

(*f*) Not including 31 persons:
- 23 being convicted under Act XIII of 1859 and ordered to perform work.
- 1 under Act VI B. C. of 1865 to fulfil his contract.
- 2 being ordered to support their wives and children.

(*g*) Not including 11 persons:
- 10 were ordered to provide maintenance for their wives and children under Section 316 Criminal Procedure Code.
- 1 was ordered to refund the advance received by him under a contract made under Act XIII. of 1859.

(*h*) Including 3 persons:
- 1 was imprisoned for 7 years under Act XV of 1862.
- 2 were imprisoned for 3 years under Act XV of 1862.

(*i*) Of this 1 person was flogged and also imprisoned.

(*j*) Of these 4 persons were flogged and also imprisoned.

(*k*) Not including 2 Ministerial Officers who were fined for neglect of duty

(*l*) Including 1 persons who were whipped as well as imprisoned.

STATEMENT No. IV. A.

DISTRICTS.	WHIPPING IN LIEU OF OTHER PUNISHMENT UNDER SECTION 2, ACT VI OF 1864. Number of persons flogged. Up to 10 Stripes.	Up to 20 Stripes	Up to 30 Stripes.	WHIPPING IN LIEU OR IN ADDITION ON A SECOND CONVICTION FOR OFFENCES UNDER SECTION 3, ACT VI OF 1864. Number of persons flogged. Up to 10 Stripes	Up to 20 Stripes.	Up to 30 Stripes.	WHIPPING IN ADDITION TO OTHER PUNISHMENT ON A SECOND CONVICTION FOR OFFENCES UNDER SECTION 4, ACT VI OF 1864. Number of persons flogged. Up to 10 Stripes.	Up to 20 Stripes.	Up to 30 Stripes.
Backergunge	1	10	6	.	.	.	...	...	...
Beerbhoom	11	30	6		1	2	...	...	...
Bhaugulpore ... Bhaugulpore	23	13	3	3	5	..	...	...	...
Bhaugulpore ... Monghyr ...	24	65	8	3	5	1	..	...	...
Burdwan, East	8	13	3	2	2	3	.	...	...
„ West	22	27	6	.	1	.	...	...	...
Chittagong	2	4	2	...	2	.	.	...	...
Cuttack ... Cuttack ...	19	22	15	...	1	5		..	...
Cuttack ... Pooree ...	7	3	4	..	1	..		...	4
Cuttack ... Balasore ...	6	22	6	1	...	..	.	...	...
Dacca .. Dacca .	50	14	10	2	..	4	..	...	...
Dacca .. Furreedpore ..	..	5	6	.	1	3	...	...	...
Dinagepore ... Dinagepore .	14	33	2	.	1	..	...	..	...
Dinagepore ... Maldah ...	5	2	2	.	..	..	.	..	...
Gya	19	31	23	...	2	3	.	.	...
Hooghly ... Hooghly	8	9	6	1	1a	...	...	...	...
Hooghly ... Howrah	45	18	...		..	...	...	...	...
Jessore	26	20	14		..	..	.	...	...
Midnapore	23	33	5	1	1	4	...	1	...
Moorshedabad	14	11	1	1	2	...	..	...	...
Mymensingh	9	22	5	.	1	4	...	...	...
Nuddea	54	55	18	1	2	3	...	...	...
Patna	15	65	5	...	1	...	...	...	...
Purneah	9	23	4	.	..	...	...	...	...
Rajshahye ... Rajshahye	6	5	7	.	1	1	...	...	...
Rajshahye ... Pubna	7	13	1	..	...	...	...	...	...
Bograh ... Rungpore	8	21	12	..		...	...	...	...
Bograh ... Bograh	29	8	1	.		...	...	...	...
Sarun	30	44	5	..	3	...	...	...	...
Shahabad	9	42	23	.	2	...	...	...	...
Sylhet	25	11	3		..	1	...	...	...
Tipperah ... Tipperah ..	7	6	3	...	2	...	...	...	...
Tipperah ... Noacolly	..	4	1	.	..	1	...	...	...
Tirhoot ... Tirhoot . ..	7	49	39		1	4	...	...	...
Tirhoot ... Chumparun ..	7	14	8	..	.	...	..	...	...
24-Pergunnahs	61	99	18	1	22	9	...	...	...
Assam ... Seebsagur .	4	.	.	...	1	...	...	...	...
Assam ... Luckimpore ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Assam ... Nowgong .. .	1	11	1	..	3	...	...	...	...
Assam ... Durrung . ..	2	3	...	...	.	...	...	...	...
Assam ... Kamroop	5	8	1	..	..	...	1	4	...
Assam ... Gowalparah ..	8	5	..	..	..	1	...	...	...
Chota-Nagpore ... Hazareebaugh ...	4	10	1	...	..	...	...	..	...
Chota-Nagpore ... Lohardugga ..	4	21	1	...	6	...	...	...	...
Chota-Nagpore ... Maunbhoom ..	4	11	8	...	3	...	...	...	...
Chota-Nagpore ... Singbhoom ...	5	28	2		..	...	...	...	1
Coach-Behar ... Bhootan Dooars ..	3	..	17	..	...	...	...	...	...
Coach-Behar ... Darjeeling ...	2	3	9	...	1	2	...	...	...
Cachar	...	...	.	..	...	1	...	...	...
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills	...	...	.	.		...	...	...	...
Total ..	652	966	321	16	75	52	1	5	5

(a) The addition to other punishment hence not shown in para 6, Column 7, of Statement No. 1.

STATEMENT No. IV.—B.

Cases of Juvenile Offenders punished with whipping under Section 5, Act VI. of 1864.

DISTRICTS.		Number of Persons Flogged.		
		Up to 10 stripes.	Up to 20 stripes.	Up to 30 stripes.
Backergunge	..	.....	.....	.....
Beerbhoom	..	.....	.....	.....
Bhaugulpore	Bhaugulpore	3	1	.....
	Monghyr	8	.....	.....
Burdwan, East	..	3	.....	.....
„ West	..	.....	.....	.....
Chittagong	..	2	.....	.....
Cuttack	Cuttack	2	1	.....
	Balasore	.....	.....	.....
	Pooree	4	.....	.....
Dacca	Dacca	.....	.....	.....
	Furreedpore	4	.....	.....
Dinagepore	Dinagepore	1	1	.....
	Maldah	.....	.....	.....
Gya	..	10	4	1
Hooghly	Hooghly	6	1	.....
	Howrah	.....	.....	.....
Jessore	..	3	.....	.....
Midnapore	..	.....	.....	.....
Moorshedabad	..	3	.....	.....
Mymensing	..	.....	.....	.....
Nuddea	..	.....	.....	.....
Patna	..	7	.....	.....
Purneah	..	.....	.....	.....
Rajshahye	Rajshahye	.....	.....	.....
	Pubna	3	.....	.....
Rungpore	Rungpore	1	.....	.....
	Bograh	.....	.....	.....
Sarun	..	7	.....	1
Shahabad	..	.....	.....	.....
Sylhet	..	.....	.....	.....
Tipperah	Tipperah	2	.....	.....
	Noacolly	.....	.....	.....
Tirhoot	Tirhoot	4	.....	.....
	Chumparun	.....	.....	.....
24-Pergunnahs	..	9	6	.....
Assam	Seebsagur	2	3	.....
	Luckimpore	.....	1	.....
	Nowgong	.....	.....	.....
	Durrung	.....	.....	.....
	Kamroop	1	1	.....
	Gowalparah	1	.....	.....
Chota-Nagpore	Hazareebaugh	1	.....	.....
	Lohardugga	.....	.....	.....
	Maunbhoom	1	.....	.....
	Singbhoom	.....	.....	.....
Cooch-Behar	Bhootan Dooars	.....	.....	.....
	Darjeeling	.....	.....	.....
Cachar	..	.....	.....	.....
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills	...	.....	.....	.....
	Total ...	88	19	2

STATEMENT No. IV.—C.

Appeals under the Whipping Act.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	APPEALS FROM ORDERS PASSED UNDER ACT VI. OF 1864.							
DISTRICTS.	Pending on the 1st of January 1868.	Preferred during the year.	Total.	Appeals rejected.	Order confirmed.	Order modified or reversed.	Pending at the close of December 1868.	Longest period in days during which any undecided case has been pending.
Backergunge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Beerbhoom	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Bhaugulpore — Bhaugulpore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Bhaugulpore — Monghyr	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Burdwan, East	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
„ West	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Chittagong	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Cuttack — Cuttack	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Cuttack — Pooree	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Cuttack — Balasore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Dacca — Dacca	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Dacca — Furreedpore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Dinagepore — Dinagepore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Dinagepore — Maldah	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Gyah	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Hooghly — Hooghly	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Hooghly — Howrah	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Jessore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Midnapore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Moorshedabad	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Mymensing	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Nuddea	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Patna	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Purneah	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Rajshahye — Rajshahye	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Rajshahye — Pubna	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Rungpore — Rungpore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Rungpore — Bograh	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Sarun	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Shahabad	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Sylhet	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Tipperah — Tipperah	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	....
Tipperah — Noacolly	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Tirhoot — Tirhoot	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Tirhoot — Chumparun	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
24-Pergunnahs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Assam — Seebsagur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Assam — Luckimpore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Assam — Nowgong	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Assam — Durrung	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Assam — Kamroop	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Assam — Gowalparah	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Chota-Nagpore — Hazareebaugh	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Chota-Nagpore — Lohardugga	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Chota-Nagpore — Maunbhoom	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Chota-Nagpore — Singbhoom	..	3	3	..	2	1	..	....
Cooch-Behar — Bhootan Dooars	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Cooch-Behar — Darjeeling	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Cachar	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....
TOTAL	..	4	4	..	3	1	..	....

STATEMENT No. V.

Average duration of cases before the Magistrate for 1868.

DISTRICTS.		In which Police Agency was employed.		In which Police Agency was not employed.	
		1867.	1868.	1867.	1868.
Backergunge		30	41	9	14
Beerbhoom		9	10	5	7
Bhaugulpore	Bhaugulpore	9	11	11	11
	Monghyr	9	13	6	13
Burdwan, East		12	14	8	9
,, West		15½	13½	5¾	8½
Chittagong		9	11	6	7
Cuttack	Cuttack	18	13	14	7
	Pooree	8	11	12	9
	Balasore	4	6	4	6
Dacca	Dacca	27	25	19	20
	Furreedpore	23	24	15	17
Dinagepore	Dinagepore	20	14	5	6
	Maldah	14	15	8	12
Gya		24	23	19	20
Hooghly	Hooghly	11	14½	12	16
	Howrah	4	3	7	4
Jessore		8	21	8	6
Midnapore		17	16	11	11
Moorshedabad		18	19	9	12
Mymensingh		21	23	11	14
Nuddea		16	16	7	12
Patna		15½	15	11¼	10
Purneah		6	5	8	8
Rajshahye	Rajshahye	8	8	7	7
	Pubna	16	18	20	15
Rungpore	Rungpore	13	12	13	15
	Bograh	18	19	8	9
Sarun		13	16	9	12
Shahabad		9	11	10	10
Sylhet		17	19	5	5
Tipperah	Tipperah	14	16	8	10
	Noacolly	16	19	6	11
Tirhoot	Tirhoot	10	8	9	9
	Chumparun	19	20	13	14
24-Pergunnahs		13	12	16	14
Assam	Seebsagur	5	4	2	3
	Luckimpore	6	7	3	3
	Nowgong	18	11	5	3
	Durrung	4	10	2	2
	Kamroop	12	8	3	3
	Gowalparah	15	16	7	6
Chota-Nagpore	Hazareebaugh	16	15	5	6
	Lohardugga	14	14	5	7
	Maunbhoom	23	19	10	6
	Singbhoom	7	14	2	1¾
Cooch-Behar	Bhootan Dooars	7	31	7	15
	Darjeeling	...	9	...	6
Cachar		26	20	8	6
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills		8½	5½	4¾	2¾
GENERAL AVERAGE		Unascertained.	15 days.	Unascertained	10 days.

STATEMENT No. VI.

Statement showing the amount of Criminal Business disposed of and pending in Magistrates' Courts in 1868.

DISTRICTS.	Criminal Business disposed of.				Cases under Chapter XII of the Code of Criminal Procedure.		
	Cases of Non-Bailable and Bailable offences and appeals.		Miscellaneous.		Total disposed of.	Pending.	
	Disposed of.	Pending.	Disposed of.	Pending.		At the end of the year.	Beyond two months.
Backergunge	4,132	137	4,815	124	3	...	...
Beerbhoom	1,816	32	4,134	180	..	.	.
Bhaugulpore	1,054	26	2,032	7	15	1	..
Monghyr	1,607	18	2,552		12	...	...
Burdwan, East	3,127	43	1,745	12	8	1	
" West	1,213	31	4,716	22	8	...	..
Chittagong	1,303	18	1,857	1	2		...
Pooree	921	27	161	.	13	...	...
Cuttack	1,801	65	1,805	53	8	1	...
Balasore	830	47	932		...	...	...
Dacca	2,729	89	2,901	36	17	7	..
Furreedpore	965	54	2,622	53	2	..	..
Dinagepore	801	13	1,703	4	.		...
Maldah	620	13	64	.	1	...	...
Gya	1,682	51	3,896	132	14	2	...
Hooghly	2,928	74	11,204	80	3	...	...
Howrah	1,149	12	1,780	8	13	1	...
Jessore	3,583	55	2,235	6	12	...	..
Midnapore	1,463	65	7,400	299	9	.	...
Moorshedabad	1,941	54	2,204	34	16	4	...
Mymensingh	2,275	95	5,586	78	6	3	1
Nuddea	2,191	40	3,107	16	16	...	.
Patna	2,357	58	13,756	171	12	4	1
Purneah	1,267	40	6,224	171	39	1	...
Rajshahye	1,197	13	3,217	40	2	...	
Pubna	1,340	61	1,103	43	7	...	...
Rungpore	1,596	19	7,921	22	3	1	1
Bograh	1,083	17	1,599	5	5	...	.
Sarun	1,287	62	4,798	34	35	6	.
Shahabad	1,662	66	8,274	36	7	2	...
Sylhet	1,924	36	2,718	378	3	1	..
Tipperah	2,146	45	2,199	9	4	3	..
Noacolly	1,612	47	3,899	31	1	...	...
Tirhoot	1,640	46	880	12	11	...	...
Chumparun	765	41	1,766	...	1	...	...
24-Pergunnahs	6,692	169	7,406	13	25	2	...
Assam — Seebsagur	997	4	4,786	.	..	...	..
Assam — Luckimpore	894	4	967	9	..	...	...
Assam — Nowgong	444	...	5,083	...		..	.
Assam — Durrung	368	...	8, 30	...	8	...	..
Assam — Kamroop	930	5	10,023	10	..	...	.
Assam — Gowalparah	772	14	2,465	7	...	...	...
Chota-Nagpore — Hazareebaugh	792	16	1,179	...	1	..	...
Chota-Nagpore — Lohardugga	1,533	40	3,379	..	14	...	...
Chota-Nagpore — Maunbhoom	934	47	682	28	...		...
Chota-Nagpore — Singbhoom	204	5	.	...	1		...
Cooch-Behar — Bhootan Dooars	403	28	801	1	5	.	...
Cooch-Behar — Darjeeling	466	3	468	...			...
Cachar	1,065	14	182	.	9	..	...
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills	102	...	78	...	...		...
Total	76,963	1,959	1,73,364	2,152	366	40	3

STATEMENT No. VII.

Abstract Statement of Appeals from the Orders of the Sub-Magistrates preferred to the Magistrate of the District under Section 412, Code of Criminal Procedure.

DISTRICTS.	No. of Appeals preferred during the year 1868.	Appeals rejected.	Order confirmed.	Order modified or reversed.
Backergunge	42	....	30	9
Beerbhoom	44	....	29	15
Bhaugulpore	54	9	29	16
Burdwan, East	55	....	39	17
„ West	24	.....	15	8
Chittagong	81	8	47	22
Cuttack	104	21	31	47
Dacca	29	1	25	3
Dinagepore	25	2	16	7
Gya	26	5	10	10
Hooghly	29	3	15	11
Jessore	25	....	14	5
Midnapore	25	4	18	3
Moorshedabad..	36	....	22	14
Mymensingh	52	....	29	23
Nuddea	122	2	78	42
Patna	101	5	72	24
Purneah	10	....	21	12
Rajshahye	73	2	51	21
Rungpore	9	....	3	2
Sarun	17	4	27	13
Shahabad	47	....	39	7
Sylhet	180	....	129	49
Tipperah	52	2	30	19
Tirhoot	47	5	39	7
24-Pergunnahs	34	11	10	9*
Assam	214	22	93	93
Chota-Nagpore	58	5	30	18
Cooch-Behar	14	1	7	6
Cachar	1	....	1	....
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills	.....	....	....	....
Total	1,690	112	999	532

* Out of this 7 were remanded.

STATEMENT No. VIII.

Out-turn of work performed by Magistrates of the Districts during 1868.

1		2		3	4	5	6	7		8
DISTRICTS		Cases disposed of						Commitments to Sessions Judge		
		Cases	Persons	Convicted	Acquitted	Number of witnesses examined	Number of appeals heard	Cases	Persons.	Number of appeals preferred against the order of the Magistrate of the district
Backergunge		65	125	71	53	502	39	1	1	11
Beerbhoom		23	41	7	32	20	44	2	2	5
Bhaugulpore	Bhaugulpore	48	90	47	41	133	23			4
	Monghyr	203	345	157	159	418	31	9	25	14
Burdwan, East		92	75	42	27	135	56	10	15	15
„ West		20	30	25	2	61	23	2	3	1
Chittagong		14	28	14	14	39	77			3
Cuttack	Cuttack	20	33	12	21	18	52			1
	Pooree	22	37	14	23	116	36			3
	Balasore	11	19	9	4	16	11			
Dacca	Dacca	18	28	13	8	100	27	3	7	3
	Furreedpore	182	391	184	154	780	2	24	53	19
Dinagepore	Dinagepore	160	342	217	70	397	24	13	40	41
	Maldah	141	459	225	205	806	1	7	31	20
Goa		4	11	3	9	7	25			
Hooghly	Hooghly	19	43	33	11	43	20	1	1	
	Howrah	251	461	240	209	456	9	9	14	6
Jessore		35	80	52	9	107	19	8	14	4
Midnapore		31	46	38	8	29	25			9
Moorshedabad		38	71	31	38	73	36	1	1	3
Mymensingh		62	124	71	44	294	52	4	5	8
Nuddea		15	24	19	5	15	122	1	1	8
Patna		165	254	141	79	81	101	2	34	2
Purneah		26	39	14	25	87	33			
Rajshahye	Rajshahye	23	52	45	7	113	35			4
	Pubna	40	91	75	16	165	30			8
Rungpore	Rungpore	490	648	460	110	647		12	31	11
	Bograh	114	205	108	42	783	5	27	55	3
Sarun		81	185	117	37	55	44	1	1	8
Shahabad		21	38	22	15	67	46	1	1	7
Sylhet		606	1,361	1,195	149	749	178	10	23	48
Tipperah	Tipperah	63	123	53	56	281	21	6	14	6
	Noacolly	216	501	177	251	1,046	30	22	73	19
Tirhoot	Tirhoot	6	21	19		7	39	2	2	
	Chumparun	127	368	185	141	642	12	9	24	12
24-Pergunnahs		2	4	1	3	16	30*			
Assam	Seebsagur	159	252	104	116	295	44	8	10	10
	Luckhimpore	218	435	307	128	211	55			10
	Nowgong	63	145	60	29	226	38	6	7	2
	Durrung	69	103	53	38	291	13	7	9	7
	Kamroop	100	263	135	80	418	40	11	23	12
	Gowalparah	61	101	34	65	207	18	2	4	1
Chota Nagpore	Hazareebaugh	256	440	333	103	387	3	2	4	25
	Lohardugga	110	241	86	127	271	28	10	28	2
	Maunbhoom	149	260	205	48	479	19	4	6	13
	Singbhoom	95	277	140	116	252	3	8	9	4
Cooch Behar	Bhootan Dooars	29	59	20	36	194	5	1	2	12
	Darjeeling	147	166	84†	81	327	9	1	1	19
Cachar		63	113	51	82	95	1			2
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills		51	61	54	22	233				
	TOTAL	5,054	9,520	50	3,193	13,107	1,643	253	579	425

* 7 have been remanded † Including 3 convicted under Act 15 of 1862

STATEMENT No. IX.

ABSTRACT Statement showing the detailed results of the commitments made in each District during the year 1868, and the number of days occupied in their trial.

DISTRICTS.	Total number of days occupied in trying these cases.	Total number of cases disposed of.	Total number of persons.	Convicted and sentenced to fine, imprisonment or transportation.		Referred to the High Court.		Acquitted.		Commitments pending at the close of 1868.	
				Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.
Backergunge	144	62	183	45	122	3	9	14	52	8	24
Beerbhoom	18	11	24	6	15	2	3	3	6	...	..
Bhaugulpore	88	82	162	50	87	5	6	22	63	10	13
Burdwan, East	41	55	131	28	58	.	4	27	69	5	10
„ West	52	32	91	24	79	3	4	5	8	2	6
Chittagong	53½	29	56	19	35	1	1	9	20	7	11
Cuttack	88	92	141	48	65	...	...	44	76	22	23
Dacca	72	87	210	70	157	..	...	17	51	8	19
Dinagepore	59	36	115	24	63	2	2	10	50	15	57
Gya	84	70	119	61	101	1	1	7	14	24	47
Hooghly	84	78	152	35	60	2	2	41	90	13	25
Jessore	133	100	212	67	127	4	4	25	77	4	6
Midnapore	82	72	253	50	165	3	3	19	85	6	17
Moorshedabad	52	44	99	27	66	1	1	16	32	1	3
Mymensingh	62	60	158	36	100	3	4	21	54	17	44
Nuddea	64	58	112	30	48	1	2	27	62	...	...
Patna	55	54	138	34	97	2	2	18	39	6	8
Purneah	56	24	94	15	55	...	...	9	30	4	8
Rajshahye	44	40	137	32	62	2	3	15	72	4	4
Rungpore	77	102	216	71	152	11	14	20	50	19	59
Sarun	51	49	88	30	41	1	1	18	46	4	7
Shahabad...	66	48	85	38	58	...	...	10	27	8	15
Sylhet	75	35	79	19	47	1	1	15	31	...	...
Tipperah	66	73	163	53	103	2	2	18	58	4	8
Tirhoot	60	72	186	49	108	1	1	22	77	6	14
24-Pergunnahs	88	72	211	32	85	2	2	.38	124	4	12
Assam	34	47	67	36	46	3	5	8	16	5	12
Chota-Nagpore	82	77	165	53	103	10	13	14	49	14	26
Cooch-Behar	10	8	12	7	11	...	...	1	1	...	...
Cachar	11	9	23	6	14	2	4	1	3	...	...
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills ...	.....	.. ...	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
TOTAL	1,951½	1,687	3,882	1,095	2,330	68	94	514	1,441	220	478

STATEMENT No. X.

STATEMENT showing the result of Appeals from the order of the Higher Magistrates preferred to the Sessions Judges during the year 1868.

DISTRICTS		Appeals from criminal trials: Appeals rejected	Orders confirmed	Orders reversed or modified	Appeals from miscellaneous cases: Appeals rejected	Order confirmed	Order reversed or modified	Total number of appeals	Days occupied in their hearing	No. of appeals pending at the close of the year 1868
Backergunge		13	71	69	5	2	2	162	33	43
Beerbhoom		2	14	18				34	14	1
Bhaugulpore	Bhaugulpore		33	16	6		4	59	32	9
	Monghyr		84	48	16	2	15	157		11
Burdwan, East			47	37	1	10		95	3	3
„ West		9	46	19				74	22	1
Chittagong		4	46	30				80	12½	2
Cuttack	Cuttack	36	40	21				97	10	8
	Pooree	12	48	6				66	6½	2
	Balasore	7	18	8				33	3½	3
Dacca	Dacca	1	180	48	1	2	1	247	33	7
	Furreedpore	3	99	28	1			131		1
Dinagepore	Dinagepore	8	62	17	4	1	4	99	8	6
	Maldah	3	28	6				37	6	6
va		2	50	26	10	17	15	120	22	4
Hooghly	Hooghly	6	113	35				154	29	1
	Howrah	1	20	17				38		1
Jessore		12	126	45				213	24	31
Midnapore		6	58	11		15		90	7	4
Moorshedabad		20	45	23			2	90	9	14
Mymensingh		4	58	32	17	15	10	136	22	2
Nuddea		55	225	52	14	13	3	362	44	5
Patna		99	139	57	1	1	2	299	29	6
Purneah		3	12	16				31	15	.
Rajshahye	Rajshahye	3	37	21	17	1	2	81	18	3
	Pubnah	3	61	43	8		5	120	17	
Rungpore	Rungpore	1	73	27	6	15	13	135	4	2
	Bograh	1	20	6	2		3	41	2	11
Sarun			79	35		1	2	108	26	
Shahabad		22	81	14				117	10	3
Sylhet		3	75	18	4			100	13	3
Tipperah	Tipperah	33	45	37				115	18	
	Noaeolly	35	27	24				86	15	
Tirhoot	Tirhoot	3	69	24				96	34	5
	Chumparun	3	70	35				117		5
24-Pergunnahs			226	102	6		1	335	61	
Assam	Seebsagur ..									
	Luckhimpore									
	Nowgong	6	55	10	9			80	66	.
	Durrung									
	Kamroop									
	Gowalparah									.
Chotanagpore	Hazareebaugh	2	22	10				34	28	1
	Lohardugga		7	12		1		20		2
	Manbhoom	2	33	14	2			51		4
	Singbhoom		2	4	1			7		. .
Cooch Behar	Bhootan Dooars	24	20	10				54	30	. .
	Darjeeling									
Cachar		2	37	11	3			53	6	. .
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills										
Total		493	2,710	1,143	134	99	84	4,663	734½	213

STATEMENT No. XI.

Number of persons sentenced by Sessions Judges during 1868.

Districts	Sentenced to Death		Sentenced to Transportation or Imprisonment																Fined and discharged	Total.
	Cases	Persons	For Life	For 14 years	For 13 years	For 12 years	For 11 years	For 10 years	For 9 years	For 8 years	For 7 years	For 6 years	For 5 years	For 4 years	For 3 years	For 2 years	For 1 year	Less than 1 year		
Backergunge	3	9	34	2				2			4	9	20		27	7	14	3		131
Beerbhoom	2	3	1								9				2	1	1	1		18
Bhaugulpore	5	6	2					18			18		14		3	5	9	13	5	93
Burdwan East		4	9		..			9			7		16		5	1	4	7		63
„ West	3	4						8			18		7	5	20	7	5	8		83
Chittagong	1	1						1			6		12		2	9	1	4		36
Cuttack			5					2		1	5	5	4		4	13	15	10	2	65
Dacca			8					10			9	1	31	12	35	19	10	12	1	156
Dinagepore	2	2	4					1		8	13	17	6		4	4		5	1	65
Gya	1	1	8					11			5		17	4	11	9	15	19		103
Hooghly	2	2	10								4		16		11	4	4	11		63
Jessore	4	4	7					11			8		12	3	42	9	19	16		131
Midnapore	3	3	12					28			40		34	8	16	12	4	11		168
Moorshedabad	1	1	1								13	2	24		3	10	5	7	1	67
Mymensing	3	4	8					26			7		22		21	9		7	..	104
Nuddea	1	2		1							4		4	5	11	8	10	5		50
Patna	2	2	38					2			15		7	4	5	13	11	2		99
Purneah			4									20		3		18	5	5		55
Rajshahye	2	3	9					3			3		12	3	6	8	2	15	1	65
Rungpore	11	14	14								20		18	4	24	24	17	31		166
Sarun	1	1	1					2			4	1	4		3	11	9	6		42
Shahabad			7					7		1	9		13	2	10	2	4	2	1	58
Sylhet	1	1	5								4		6	5	8	12	3	4	.	48
Tipperah	2	2	4					17		1	8		14	9	27	7	9	6	1	105
Tirhoot	1	1						5			9		27	3	8	15	14	27		109
24-Pergunnahs	2	2	2				..	7			15		15		16	3	20	7		87
Assam	3	5	5					1			7		8		3	6	8	7	1	51
Chota Nagpore	10	13	13					22	2		18	9	.	3	15	15	1	5		116
Cooch Behar			1					2			2		5			1	.		.	11
Cachar	2	6	11						..	.	1	.					1	1		3
Cossyah and Jynteeah Hills		..	.				..	.	.		.	.	.		...	..	.		.	
Total	68	96	223	3	.			197	2	11	285	64	376	73	342	261	220	257	14	2,424

STATEMENT No. XII.

STATEMENT showing the number of Criminal Cases referred to or appealed to the High Court during the year 1868, *with orders passed thereon, together with an Abstract Statement of Criminal Business disposed of during that period.*

DISTRICTS.	1		2		3		4		5		6		7	
	Trials referred under Chapter XXVIII of the Code of Criminal Procedure.													
	Pending on the 1st of January 1868.		Received during the year 1868.		Total.		Number of persons convicted.		Number of persons acquitted.		Number of persons whose cases were remanded.		Pending at the end of the year.	
	Cases	Persons.	Cases	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases	Persons.
Assam ..	...	...	3	5	3	5	3	5	..	...		...	...	...
Backergunge ...	...	...	3	9	3	9	3	9	...	...	. .	...	...	...
Beerbhoom ..	...	...	2	3	2	3	1	2	1	1	. .	...	...	...
Bhaugulpore ...	...	...	5	6	5	6	5	6	...	...	. .	...	...	...
Burdwan, East ...	...	...	2	7	2	7	2	7	. .	...	...	..	..	. .
„ West ...	...	...	4	5	4	5	1	1	3	4	.	.	1	7
Cachar	..	..	3	3	3	3	3	3	..	...	...	..	...	...
Cheerapoonjee ...	...	...	. .	..	..	...	.	.	...	.	...	.	..	. .
Chittagong ...	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chota-Nagpore ...	...	...	9	9	9	9	8	8	1	1	...	...	...	...
Cooch-Behar ..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	.	..	...	...	...
Cuttack	...	...	...	...	..	...		...	...	.	...	...	...	...
Dacca	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	..	...	.	...	..	...	...
Dinagepore ...	...	...	3	4	3	4	2	2	1	2	..	...	...	..
Gya	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	..	...	...
Hooghly	...	...	2	2	2	2	2	2	...	...	...	..	...	...
Jessore	...	..	4	4	4	4	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	..
Midnapore ...	1	1	3	4	4	5	4	5	...	...	...	...	...	..
Moorshedabad ...	...	...	1	1	1	1	.	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
Mymensing ...	..	...	2	3	2	3	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	..
Nuddea	...	...	2	2	2	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Patna	...	...	2	2	2	2	2	2	...	..	...	...	...	.
Purneah	...	...	...	.	..	..	.	...	...	..	...	..	...	...
Rajshahye... ...	...	...	3	3	3	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	..
Rungpore	..	...	11	14	11	14	10	13	1	1	...	...	...	.
Sarun	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	..	..	..	...
Shahabad	...	...	. .	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	.	.	.	...
Sylhet	...	...	.	...	.	...	.	.	.	.	...	...	...	...
Tipperah	...	...	2	2	2	2	2	2	.	..	...	...	...	...
Tirhoot	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	1	. .	...	..	...	...	...
24-Pergunnahs	...	...	2	2	2	2	2	2	. .	...		. .	..	.
Sonthal Pergunnahs	...	.	3	8	3	8	3	4	...	4	.	...	..	..
TOTAL ..	1	1	75	102	76	*103	68	89	7	13	1	1	...	...

DISTRICTS.	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Trials revised under Chapter XXIX of the Code of Criminal Procedure.							Trials appealed under Chapter XXX of the Code of Criminal Procedure.								Miscellaneous Cases not coming under the foregoing headings.							
	Pending on the 1st of January 1868.	Received during the year 1868.	Total.	Order confirmed.	Order modified.	Order reversed.	Pending at the end of the year 1868.	Pending on the 1st of January 1868.	Received during the year 1868.	Total.	Order confirmed.	Order modified.	Order reversed.	Appeals remanded.	Pending at the end of the year, 1868	Pending on the 1st of January 1868.	Received during the year 1868.	Total.	Petitions rejected or struck off the Files or otherwise disposed.	Order confirmed.	Order modified.	Order reversed.	Pending at the end of the year 1868
Assam ..		13	13	6	1	5	1	2	12	14	8	1	3	2	.	.	2	2	2	..	...	...	...
Backergunge ...	2	7	9	2	...	7	.	2	30	32	24	6	1		1	...	11	11	5	6	.	...	...
Beerbhoom ..	1	17	18	5		13	..	2	5	7	5	..	2		...	...	..	..	...	..	...	...	...
Bhaugulpore ...	2	27	29	16	.	12	1	12	4	53	45	3	5	..	..	..	4	4	1	3	...	...	...
Burdwan, East ...		5	5	4	...	1	..	.	12	12	9	1	1	..	1	..	6	6	1	4	...	1	...
„ West ...	1	7	8	6	..	2	..	3	19	22	17	1	2	...	2	...	3	3	...	3	...	...	...
Cachar	.	..	...	..	..	.	...	...	1	1	1	...		...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	..
Cheerapoonjee ...	...	...	.	...	..	..	.	..	..	..	.	...	.	...	.	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Chittagong ...	..	1	1	..	...	.	1	...	16	16	11	.	2	...	3	...	2	2	...	2	...	...	...
Chota-Nagpore ...	1	11	12	6		4	2	1	21	22	20	1	.	...	1	...	4	4	1	3	...	..	...
Cooch-Behar ..	..	7	7	4		3	...	4	9	13	8	.	2	...	3	...	5	5	2	3	...	..	...
Cuttack	..	4	4	2		1	1	7	37	44	36	2	4	...	2	...	4	4	...	3	...	1	...
Dacca	3	8	11	6	1	3	1	4	61	65	40	5	14	...	6	...	7	7	3	4	...	...	...
Dinagepore ...		4	4	2		2	..	7	25	32	25	4	2	..	1	..	..	..	...	.	...	...	...
Gya	2	20	22	5		13	4	4	42	46	27	8	6	...	5	...	3	3	1	2	.	...	..
Hooghly	1	11	12	3		9	...	1	15	16	11	2	...	...	3	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...
Jessore		9	9	2	1	6	.	2	44	46	39	2	4	...	1	...	14	14	4	8	1	1	..
Midnapore ...	.	5	5	2	...	3	...	3	46	49	37	3	5	...	4	...	2	2	1	...	...	1	...
Moorshedabad ...	.	6	6	1		4	1	8	15	23	19	1	..	.	3	..	1	1	...	1	...	...	...
Mymensing ...		7	7	5		1	1	7	27	34	22	7	1	..	4	...	4	4	1	3	...	.	...
Nuddea		10	10	4	..	5	1	2	39	41	36	.		...	5	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
Patna	2	7	9	5	.	4	...	2	24	26	21	2	1	1	1	...	7	7	1	6	...	...	...
Purneah		4	4	2		2	...	1	10	11	7		3	..	1	...	..	...	..		...	...	...
Rajshahye... ...	1	10	11	6	.	5	..	1	24	25	24	1				...	5	5	2	3	...	...	...
Rungpore	3	11	14	5	3	5	1	..	52	52	42	2	6	.	2	...	4	4	2	2	...	...	...
Sarun		2	2	2	...			2	15	17	12	3	2		..	.	3	3	...	2	...	...	1
Shahabad	.			.	.		.	5	28	33	25	5	..	..	3	...	1	1	.	1	...	...	...
Sylhet		1	1	1	..		..	.	12	12	6	1	2	...	3	...	1	1	...	1	...	..	...
Tipperah	.	9	9	4	..	5	...	7	36	43	30	2	6	1	4	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...
Tirhoot	1	7	8	5	..	2	1	5	18	23	19	2	1	...	1	...	5	5	...	4	...	1	...
24-Pergunnahs		12	12	5	...	5	2	1	18	19	17	.	1	1	...	...	9	9	5	4	...	...	...
Sonthal Pergunnahs	.		...	...	...	..	.	.	...	..			...			..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...
TOTAL ..	20	242	262	116	6	122	18	96	754	849	643	65	76	5	60	...	109	109	33	69	1	5	1

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References under Section 434 Code Criminal Procedure. ..	11	148	159	65	1	90	12
Trials called for under Sections 404 and 405 Code Criminal Procedure. ...	9	94	103	51	5	32	6
	20	242	262	116	6	122	18

* Out of this number.
54 Persons were sentenced to death.
33 Persons were transported for life.
1 Person was sentenced to transportation for 7 years.
1 Person was sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for 10 years.
13 Persons were acquitted.
1 Person in whose case the proceedings were quashed and re-trial ordered.

TOTAL ... 103

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STATEMENT No. XIII.

Result of the High Court (Original Side) Sessions operations for 1868.

NUMBER OF SESSIONS.	Number of days in each Session.	Persons sentenced to death.	Persons sentenced to transportation for life.	Persons sentenced to transportation from 7 to 14 years.	Persons sentenced to penal servitude for life.	Persons sentenced to penal servitude from 4 to 10 years.	Persons sentenced to Rigorous Imprisonment.									Persons sentenced to Common Jail.								Persons sentenced to fines in addition to imprisonment.	Fines inflicted on persons or in default to imprisonment.	Persons sentenced to solitary confinement in addition to imprisonment.	No true bill.	Not guilty.	Whipped.	Whipped and imprisoned.	Remanded to prison for disposal by Government.	Fine only.
							From 4 to 7 years.	Three years.	Two years and half.	From 15 to 18 months.	1 year and more.	9 and 10 months.	6 and 8 months.	2 and 4 months.	6 weeks and less.	3 years.	2 years.	18 months.	1 year.	9 months.	6 months.	3 and 4 months.	Less than 3 months.								
First Session	6	...	...	.....	1	.....	...	1	2	4	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	1	19	...	...	.....	.....
Second Ditto	6	...	...	1	.....	.....	...	6	1	2	14	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	.....	.....	1	8	...	...	.....	.....
Third Ditto	13	...	...	1	.....	.....	1	...	5	5	11	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	1	7	...	...	.....	.....
Fourth Ditto	6	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	2	2	3	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	11	...	...	.....	.....
Fifth Ditto	5	...	...	1	.....	...	...	...	2	4	3	1	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	.....	.....	1	2	...	...	.....	.....
Sixth Ditto	7	...	...	.....	.....	.....	1	1	3	2	4	...	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	9	...	...	.....	.....
Seventh Ditto	16	...	...	.....	.....	2	1	1	5	4	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	.....	.....	1	1	6	...	...	.....	.....
Eighth Ditto	4	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	1	1	1	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	4	...	1	.....	.....
Ninth Ditto	17	2	1	8	.....	.....	6	5	8	8	14	3	12	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	1	9	...	...	4	.....
TOTAL ...	90	2	1	11	1	2	9	17	29	34	51	12	25	7	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	.....	1	6	75	...	1	4	.....